ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

Everyday Vocabulary Sports Facilities and Athletics Test

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Explanations

1. (Please note: The following questions are part of a cloze test. They are interrelated, meaning that the information provided in each question is connected to the others.)

SPORTS FACILITIES AND ATHLETICS

There's a big new sports centre near my home. There are football _____, tennis and basketball _____, swimming _____, a sports hall with two boxing _____ and even a skating _____.
✔ **C) pitches**
Football is played on a **pitch**, a large area of grass with lines on it. Example: **The players ran onto the pitch.** Not **courts**: tennis and basketball use courts, which are smaller, hard areas.

2. There are football _____, tennis and basketball _____, swimming _____, a sports hall with two boxing _____ and even a skating _____.
✔ **B) courts**
Tennis and basketball are played on a **court**, a smaller area, often with a hard surface. Not **pitches**: a pitch is used for football, rugby or cricket.

3. There are football _____, tennis and basketball _____, swimming _____, a sports hall with two boxing _____ and even a skating _____.
✔ **A) pools**
You swim in a **swimming pool**. Example: **The swimming pool is open until 9 p.m.**

4. There are football _____, tennis and basketball _____, swimming _____, a sports hall with two boxing _____ and even a skating _____.
✔ **B) rings**
Boxers fight in a **ring**, a square area with ropes around it. We say **boxing ring**, even though it is not round.

5. There are football _____, tennis and basketball _____, swimming _____, a sports hall with two boxing _____ and even a skating _____.
✔ **D) rink**
You skate on ice in a **skating rink** (or **ice rink**). Example: **We went ice skating at the new rink.** Not **stadium**: a stadium is a big sports ground with seats for many people. We don't say **skating stadium**.

6. There is also a separate athletics _____, where 20,000 _____ can watch the track _____ on the track and the _____ events, such as jumping and throwing, in the grass centre.
✔ **C) stadium**
A **stadium** is a big sports ground with seats around it for many people. The clue is **where 20,000 … can watch**, so it must be a big place like an athletics stadium. Not **court**: a court is a small area for games like tennis.

7. There is also a separate athletics _____, where 20,000 _____ can watch the track _____ on the track and the _____ events, such as jumping and throwing, in the grass centre.
✔ **B) spectators**
Spectators are people who watch a sports event live, at the place where it happens. Not **audience**: we use it for a play, concert or film, and it means one group, so we don't say **20,000 audience**. **Viewers** usually watch on television.

8. There is also a separate athletics _____, where 20,000 _____ can watch the track _____ on the track and the _____ events, such as jumping and throwing, in the grass centre.
✔ **C) events**
In athletics, the races are called **track events** because they happen on the running track. Not **matches**: a match is a game between two players or teams, as in football or tennis.

9. There is also a separate athletics _____, where 20,000 _____ can watch the track _____ on the track and the _____ events, such as jumping and throwing, in the grass centre.
✔ **D) field**
Field events are the jumping and throwing competitions, such as the long jump or the javelin. They take place on the grass area inside the track. Not **track**: track events are the races.

10. The _____ get ready in modern changing rooms and the _____ time and measure the events with modern equipment.
✔ **A) athletes**
People who compete in athletics are called **athletes**. They get ready in the changing rooms before their events. Not **players**: we use **players** for games such as football or tennis.

11. The _____ get ready in modern changing rooms and the _____ time and measure the events with modern equipment.
✔ **D) officials**
Officials are the people who control a competition. In athletics they **time** the races and **measure** the jumps and throws. Not **spectators**: they only watch.

12. A huge electronic _____ shows the results.
✓ **A) scoreboard**
A **scoreboard** is a large board that shows the scores or results in a sports stadium. Example: **Everyone looked up at the scoreboard.**

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